House File 427 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE BY T. TAYLOR Passed House, Date _____ Passed Senate, Date _____ Vote: Ayes ____ Nays ___ Nays ___ A BILL FOR 1 An Act allowing school districts affected by a presidentially declared major disaster between May 4, 2008, and August 14, 2008, to use the previous year's budget enrollments in the budget year beginning July 1, 2009, and providing an effective 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA: 7 TLSB 2473HH 83 8 ak/sc/5PAG LIN Section 1. DISASTER RELIEF FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS == BUDGET 2 ENROLLMENT. Notwithstanding any provision of the Code to the 3 contrary, for the school budget year beginning July 1, 2009, a 4 school district determined by the department of education to 5 have been significantly affected by a presidentially declared 6 major disaster between May 4, 2008, and August 14, 2008, with 7 a basic enrollment for the budget year, as defined under 8 section 257.6, that is less than the previous year's budget 9 enrollment may use the previous year's budget enrollment. 1 10 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of 1 11 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment. 1 EXPLANATION 1 13 This bill allows a school district that was significantly 1 14 affected by a presidentially declared major disaster between 1 15 May 4, 2008, and August 14, 2008, to use predisaster student 1 16 enrollment counts in order to offset a budget enrollment 1 17 decrease for the 2009=2010 budget year. School district 1 18 budgets for fiscal year 2008=2009 were based on October 2007 1 19 enrollments. Any district that was impacted by a 1 20 presidentially declared major disaster between May 4, 2008, 1 20 presidentially declared major disaster between may 1, 2008, 1 21 and August 14, 2008, and had an enrollment in October 2008 1 22 that was less than the previous year's enrollment would be 1 23 allowed to use the previous year's enrollment for budgeting

1 24 purposes in fiscal year 2009=2010. The department of 1 25 education shall determine which school districts were

1 26 significantly affected by disasters during 2008. 1 27 The bill is effective upon enactment.

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